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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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INVENTION:

"METHOD FOR THE OPERATION OF A

HEARING AID DEVICE OR HEARING DEVICE SYSTEM AS WELL AS HEARING AID DEVICE OR

HEARING DEVICE SYSTEM"

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SIR:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Filed Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) - Filing Date Granted dated March 26, 2002 (copy attached), applicants are attaching a Declaration and Power of Attorney identifying the application by Serial No. and Filing Date, which Declaration was signed by Volker Hohmann and Thomas Wittkop on April 24, 2002, by Inga Holube and Birger Kollmeier on April 25, 2002 and by Volkmar Hamacher on May 10, 2002.

Attached herewith is a check for the \$130.00 government surcharge, and it is submitted that with the submission of this surcharge and the signed Declaration, the application papers are now complete and it is requested that the application be sent to the Examining Group.

Respectfully submitted,

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